

Your Next Step: Get Baptized

Our Mission: To take as many people to Heaven as we can before we die. Period.

1. Get baptized after you have become a Christian.

Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. **Acts: 2:41 NIV**

“Simon himself **believed** and was **baptized...**” **Acts 8:13 NIV**

“...many of the Corinthians who heard Him, **believed** and were **baptized.**” **Acts 18:8 NIV**

“For it is by grace you have been saved, **through faith...** it is the gift of God — not by works, so that no one can boast.” **Ephesians 2:8-9 NIV**

2. Christ wants us to follow His example and his command to be baptized.

“At that time Jesus came from Nazareth and was baptized by John in the Jordan (river).” **Mark 1:9 NIV**

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” **Matthew 28:19-20 NIV**

3. Don't put off getting baptized. Delayed obedience is disobedience.

“Those who accepted his message... were baptized...that day!” **Acts 2:41 NIV**

As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water. Why shouldn't I be baptized?” And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. **Acts 8:35-38 NIV**

“We know that we have come to know Him, if we **obey** His commands.” **1 John 2:3 NIV**

4. Get baptized to illustrate your new life as a christian.

“Christ died for our sins... He was buried... and He was raised on the third day.” **1 Corinthians 15:3-4 NIV**

When you were baptized, you were buried with Christ, and you were raised up with him through your faith in God’s power that was shown when he raised Christ from the dead. **Colossians 2:12 NCV**

When someone becomes a Christian, he becomes a brand new person inside. He is not the same anymore. A new life has begun! **2 Corinthians 5:17 TLB**

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. **Romans 6:4 NIV**

5. Get baptized by immersion.

“As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water.” **Matthew 3:16 NIV**

(Example) “...Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water...” **Acts 8:38-39 NIV**

The Greek word baptizo means “to immerse or dip under water.”

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